

Agenda

Item #2

New code section 11-21 to address foreclosed and/or abandoned properties.

PLANNING & ZONING AGENDA ITEM

Item #2: New Code Section 11-21 to address foreclosed and/or abandoned properties. (JB)

At the Planning and Zoning hearing of June 16, 2010, the following motion was made:

Ben Freeny made a motion, seconded by Eric Yanwitt, that this Ordinance (New Code Section 11-21 to address foreclosed and/or abandoned properties) be continued to the next Planning and Zoning meeting scheduled for July 21, 2010 and that Staff provide information from other cities like Margate, Coral Springs, Hillsboro Beach, and Lighthouse Point to see how this type of Ordinance has operated for them. In a roll call vote, all voted in favor. The motion passes 5 -0.

RESPONSES:

Coral Springs – Code Compliance – Kathy Gallego – 954-344-5964

Favorable response. Generated revenue for the city.
Indicated that process could be man-power intensive. They have assigned one person to handle these properties.

Margate – Code Compliance – Lt. Joe Galaska – 954-972-1232

Favorable response. Generated revenue for city.
Also indicated that process was man-power intensive.

Lighthouse Point – Code Compliance – 954-784-3409 – Tony

They do not have an Ordinance to register abandoned/vacant properties.

Hillsboro Beach – 954-427-4011 – Sarah Jane Walsh

They do not have an Ordinance to register abandoned/vacant properties. Mostly condos and they have their own provisions for abandoned/vacant properties.

Un-incorporated Broward County – Gerald Henrey – Code Compliance Official 954-658-1898

Favorable response. Ordinance enacted December 2009
Majority of bank-owned properties registered abandoned properties and assigned a management company to handle maintenance of properties.
Also commented that there is a lot of detail work involved and said to keep the forms simple.